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SUBJ: EGYPTIAN VIEWS ON AGREEMENT

- 1. ASYG URQUHART TELEPHONED AMB SCALI TO BRING HIM UP TO DATE ON LATEST INFO IN HANDSOF UN. UN HAD RECEIVED MESSAGE FROM GENERAL SIILASVUO REPORTING HIS MEETING WITH FAHMY AT 11 AM NOV 10 CAIRO TIME. SIILASVUO HAS REPORTED THAT THERE ARE CLEARLY PROFOUND DIFFERENCES BETWEEN FOREIGN MINISTER AND WAR MINISTER ABOUT THE AGREEMENT AND THE PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWSED. FHMY TAKES A COMPLTELY DIFFERENT LINE FOR WAR MINISTER AND INSISTS AGREEMENT BE SIGNED WITHOUT ALTERATIONS. FAHMY HAS GIVEN CLEAR INSTRUCTIONS TO GENERAL GAMASY, EGYPTIAN CHIEF NEGOTIATOR.
- 2. FAHMY SHOWED SIILASVUO MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH KISSINGER ON USE OF CAIRO-SUEZ ROAD. FAHMY SAID HIS INTERPRETATION HAD BEEN ACCEPTED BY KISSINGER, THATTHERE WILL BE NO REPEAT NO ISRAELI MILITARY PRESENCE ON CAIRO-SUEZ ROAD AT ANY TIME. FAHMY TOOK POSITION SECRET

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THAT SIILASVUO MUST ACT AS ARBITRATOR AND INSURE ISRAELI NON-USE OF ROAD. SIILASVUO IN HIS REPORT TO UN HEADQUARTERS EXPRESSED VIEW THAT IT COULD HARDLY BE SAID THAT THE KISSINGER MEMORANDUM SUPPORTS

THE FAHMY INTERPRETATION.

- 3. SIILASVUO ALSO REPORTE DHTAT EGYPTIAN WAR MINISTER IS APPARENTLY SATISFIED WITH DELAY IN SIGNING THE AGREEMENT SINCE IT WILL GIVE EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT TIME TO STRAIGHTEN OUT ITS DIFFERENCES.
- 4. SCALI EXPLAINED TO URQUHART THAT WE HAD ACTED IMMEDIATELY ON HIS INFORMATION LAST EVENING. SECSTATE HAD TAKEN UP PROBLEM WITH FAHMY AND HAD RECEIVED FORTHCOMING RESPONSE. FAHMY'S POSITION WAS QUITE DIFFERENT FROM THAT OF MEGUID HERE, AND MEGUID'S INFORMATION HAD APPARENTLY BEEN OUT OF DATE.
- 5. URQUHART SAID THAT SYG WAS IMMESNSELY GRATEFUL TO USG AND TO SECSTATE FOR PROMPT INTERVENTION. HE IS IN BED TODAY SUFFERING FROM EXHAUSTION AND WAS TO TAKE ONLY ONE APPOINTMENT, RECEIVING ABBA EBAN THIS MORNING. URQUHART PROMISED SCALI TO KEEP IN TOUCH AND WORK CLOSELY WITH US. SCALI

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